

Laws and rules about Conservation Districts

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RCW 89.08 Conservation Districts Law is the enabling legislation for conservation districts, but it is not the only place where conservation districts are mentioned in state laws and rules.

Although we work hard to keep this information updated, the Washington State Conservation Commission makes no representation that the laws and rules noted on this page are accurate or complete!

State Laws

Washington State's conservation districts are included in many state laws. "RCW" is an abbreviation for the Revised Code of Washington.

Title 15 RCW: Agriculture and marketing

RCW 15.13.270: Nursery dealer licensing exemptions — Permits for clubs, conservation districts, nonprofit associations, educational organizations

Title 29A RCW: Elections

RCW 29A.04.330: City, town, and district general and special elections — Exceptions

Title 36: Counties

RCW 36.82.075: Use of county road funds in cooperative agreement with conservation district

Title 42 RCW: Public officers and agencies

RCW 42.17.035: Conservation district exception (elections)

Title 43 RCW: State government — executive

RCW 43.21B.110: Pollution control hearings board jurisdiction

RCW 43.21J.040: Environmental enhancement and restoration project proposals — Evaluation — Award of funds

Title 70 RCW: Public health and safety

RCW 70.94.6540: Delegation of permit issuance and enforcement to political subdivisions

RCW 70.94.750: Limited outdoor burning — Permits issued by political subdivisions — Types of fires permitted

RCW 70.94.780: Outdoor burning — Permits issued by political subdivisions

RCW 70.146.020: Definitions (related to water pollution control facilities)

Title 77 RCW: Fish and wildlife

RCW 77.55.181: Fish habitat enhancement project — Permit review and approval process

RCW 77.85.050: Habitat project lists

Title 82 RCW: Excise taxes

RCW 82.08.890: Exemptions — Livestock nutrient management equipment and facilities

Title 84 RCW: Property taxes

RCW 84.36.240: Soil and water conservation districts, personal property

RCW 84.36.255: Improvements to benefit fish and wildlife habitat, water quality, and water quantity — Cooperative assistance to landowners — Certification of best management practice — Limitation — Landowner claim and certification

RCW 84.36.815: Tax exempt status — Initial application — Renewal

Title 86 RCW: Flood control by counties

RCW 86.12.210: Comprehensive flood control management plan — Participation of local officials — Arbitration of disputed issues

RCW 86.12.210: Advisory committees

RCW 86.26.080: Annual budget reports of municipal corporations — Allocation of funds

Title 89 RCW: Reclamation, soil conservation, and land settlement

RCW 89.08: Conservation districts law

Title 90 RCW: Water rights — environment

RCW 90.64: Dairy nutrient management

RCW 90.72.065: Plans to control pollution effects of animal waste — Contracts with conservation districts (1992)

RCW 90.82.050: Limitations on liability (for participating in WRIA planning)

State Rules

Washington State conservation districts are also included in a variety of state rules. "WAC" is an abbreviation for the Washington Administrative Code.

Title 135 WAC: Conservation commission

WAC 135-10: Governing the use of funds

WAC 135-100: Special assessments for natural resource conservation

Title 173 WAC: Department of Ecology

WAC 173-27-040: Developments exempt from substantial development permit requirement

WAC 173-95A-020: Definitions

WAC 173-98-030: Definitions

WAC 173-350-220: Composting facilities

WAC 173-350-330: Surface impoundments and tanks

WAC 173-430-090: Receiving delegation — Counties, conservation districts, and fire protection agencies

WAC 173-532-055: Future surface water withdrawals for environmental enhancement projects

Title 365 WAC: Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development

WAC 365-190-050: Agricultural lands

Title 400 WAC: Puget Sound Water Quality Action Team

WAC 400-12-200: Definitions

WAC 400-12-525: Phase 2 — Action plan nonpoint pollution control strategy

WAC 400-12-535: Phase 3 — Action plan implementation strategy

Title WAC 458: Department of Revenue

WAC 458-16-110: Applications — Who must file, initial applications, annual declarations, appeals, filing fees, penalties, and refunds

WAC 458-16-120: Appeals

WAC 458-16-130: Change in taxable status of real property